

Remarks

Applicants previously elected claims 1-3 in response to the Examiner's restriction requirement.

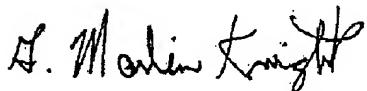
The amendment to the specification corrects an inconsistency in the description of Figure 3. No new matter has been added. The amended description corresponds to the original specification as filed p. 5, lines 1-2, as well as the actual Figure 3.

Section 102 Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 under section 102(e) as being anticipated by Lille, 6,725,526. Applicants' have amended claim 1 to more clearly describe the invention as a pad for transferring liquid photoresist to another surface which is quite different from Lille's teaching. It is clear that Lille is not teaching the use of a pad with a layer of polydimethylsiloxane to apply liquid photoresist to a surface. (See for example, col. 6, lines 49-55.) Lille's photoresist is patterned *in situ*. Therefore, applicants believe that the amendment to claim 1 makes it more clearly distinguish over Lille and the prior art.

Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claim is now allowable over the references.

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